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Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 11:11 AM
To: Drake, Leanne
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- > To Zoning Bd of Appeals:
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- > I am writing against the permitting process for Heritage Gardens' Adventure Park. Please understand that I support Heritage Gardens for all the wonderful shows and exhibits that they do in the museum and grounds.
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- > However it is my understanding that Heritage is seeking a permit for a small scale outdoor recreation park. However, a reasonable person would define this as an activity that has swings, slides, sandboxes, etc. Not a \$1 million operation that 35,000 people visit for a three month season. This is by no means a "small scale" program, especially in a residential area.
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- > In addition this is a precedent that will be set for other "for profit" activities that want permits in the town. Think of the activity that could be allowed that would have 35000 people, grossing \$1 million per season- a 3 month period!!
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- > I also have to differ with the traffic consultant as the increase in the number of cars causes issue on Grove street, where I live. The speed is definitely a problem especially as I see vehicles twice a day when I walk my dog. The staff at Heritage in and of itself is a problem especially in the morning at 9am when they are going to work. I have contacted them twice about this. What would other people be doing who are unfamiliar with the area.
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- > Also, the intersection by Town Hall where Grove St and Main Street
- > meet is very dangerous, especially when you are a visitor to the area.
- > It is difficult enough for an individual who knows the area to
- > maneuver around parked cars, narrow driving lanes and blocked roads
- > because of these conditions. I cannot believe that the traffic
- > consultant did not address this concern
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> In conclusion, my concern with a permit for the Adventure Park is the definition of small scale with the number of visitors, vehicle and projected revenue in a residential area.

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> Thx you in advance for considering these issues

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> Respectfully

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